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22 July 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant to the Secretary of Defense  
(Special Operations)

SUBJECT: Consultation with Commander-in-Chief,  
Pacific (CINCPAC) ☐

REFERENCE: Your Memorandum, same subject,  
dated 3 July 1957

Your memorandum of 3 July 1957, indicated that the Department of Defense, in discussions with CINCPAC, is placing primary reliance on covert operations in connection with the ☐. CIA is taking steps to discharge its responsibilities in this regard, but wishes to make clear the limitations which are inherent in this type of action, and the requirement that such actions should be consistent with our political and defense policies.

This memorandum further stated that the Department of Defense stood ready to render any support which is within Defense Department capabilities and which is deemed necessary and appropriate. We keenly appreciate your assurance in this regard and you may rest assured that you will be kept as fully informed of developments in ☐ as our capabilities permit and of any changes in existing support requirements, military or otherwise.

I wish to express CIA's appreciation for the Department of Defense's cooperation on this matter.

DDP/FE/☐ (16 July 1957)

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Signed

ALLEN W. DULLES

Director

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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant to the Secretary of Defense  
(Special Operations)

SUBJECT: Consultation with Commander-in-Chief,  
Pacific (CINCPAC) [redacted]

REFERENCE: Your Memorandum, same subject, dated 3 July 1957

Your memorandum of 3 July 1957 indicated that the Department of Defense, in discussions with CINCPAC, is placing primary reliance on covert operations in connection with the [redacted] CIA is aware of this decision and is taking appropriate steps to discharge its responsibilities.

This memorandum further stated that the Department of Defense stood ready to render any support which is within Defense Department capabilities and which is deemed necessary and appropriate. You may rest assured that you will be kept fully informed of developments in [redacted] as they occur and of any changes in existing support requirements, military or otherwise.

I wish to express CIA's appreciation for the Department of Defense's cooperation on this matter.

ALLEN W. DULLES  
Director

*in this regard [unclear] but wishes to make clear that covert operations the limitations which are inherent in this type of action and the requirement that such actions should be consistent with our political + defense policies*

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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Assistant to the Secretary of Defense  
(Special Operations)

**SUBJECT:** Consultation with Commander-in-Chief,  
Pacific (CINCPAC) Regarding [REDACTED]

**REFERENCE:** Your Memorandum, same subject, dated 3 July 1957

Your memorandum of 3 July 1957 indicated that the Department of Defense, in discussions with CINCPAC, is placing primary reliance on covert operations in connection with the [REDACTED] situation. CIA is aware of this decision and is taking appropriate steps to discharge its responsibilities.

This memorandum further stated that the Department of Defense stood ready to render any support which is within Defense Department capabilities and which is deemed necessary and appropriate. You may rest assured that you will be kept fully informed of developments in [REDACTED] as they occur and of any changes in existing support requirements, military or otherwise.

I wish to express CIA's appreciation for the Department of Defense's cooperation on this matter.

ALLAN W. DULLES  
Director

cc: DDCI *clc*

**CONCUR:**

Deputy Director (Plans)

Date

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Dulles

After you have seen this, I will  
send it down to DD/P for ~~their~~ information.

*JAS*  
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9 Jul 57

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

JUL 3 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT: Consultation with Commander-in-Chief, Pacific (CINCPAC)

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As you will recall the NSC took the following action at its meeting of 14 March 1957, with respect to paragraph 12 of NSC 5518 (NSC action No. 1681):

"Noted the President's statement that the JCS should arrange consultation with CINCPAC to insure that there is a mutual understanding of the current situation [redacted] which does not at this time appear to require military action (other than continued planning) to implement paragraph 12 of NSC 5518."

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The action above, as approved by the President was subsequently transmitted to the Secretary of Defense for appropriate action by the JCS. The JCS have effected the requested consultation and the Secretary of Defense has asked me to inform you of the result.

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Discussions with CINCPAC, have confirmed the view that principal reliance must continue to be placed upon covert operations in connection with [redacted] situation. While at the present time military support of these operations would not appear to be required, the Defense Department is of course ready to render any support within its capacity which is deemed appropriate and necessary.

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In so far as military action alone is concerned it is considered that CINCPAC's outline plan [redacted] remains adequate to cover contingencies under paragraph 12 of NSC 5518.

G. B. Erskine  
Gen. USMC (Ret.)  
Assistant to the  
Secretary of Defense  
(Special Operations)

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18 JUL 1957,

MEMORANDUM FOR: DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

VIA: DEPUTY DIRECTOR (PLANS)

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Letter for the  
Assistant Secretary of Defense  
(Special Operations)

1. This memorandum transmits a letter for the signature of the DCI. This letter to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Special Operations) has been prepared in response to his letter of 3 July 1957.

2. The briefings on [ ] developments mentioned in the letter for DCI signature will be handled as part of the regular briefing of General Erskine by Chief, Far East Division.

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Chief  
Far East Division

1 Attachment

cc: DDCI

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Remarks:

Attached is the letter from Gen. Erskine which I mentioned to you. Would you please see that Gen. Erskine receives any additional briefing on the subject which you consider appropriate and also that a reply is prepared for the Director's signature.

